

V. REMARKS

Entry of the Amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 because the Amendment places the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein. The Amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented because it is made in response to arguments raised in the Advisory Action. The amendments to the subject claims do not incorporate any new subject matter into the claims. Thus, entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Goddard et al. (U.S. Patent 5,502,808) in view of Chang et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,618,773) and Lvovsky (U.S. Patent No. 5,159,683). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1 and 9 are canceled and therefore the rejection as applied thereto is now moot.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 2, 4-8, 10 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Goddard in view of Chang and Lvovsky as applied to claim 1 and in view of the technical publication entitled "Digital Visual Interface DVI." The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 16 is allowed in the Advisory Action and the remaining claims are canceled and therefore the rejection as applied thereto is now moot.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Goddard in view of Chang and Lvovsky as applied to claim 1 and in view of Gradinariu (U.S. Patent No. 6,378,008). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 3 is canceled and therefore the rejection as applied thereto is now moot.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

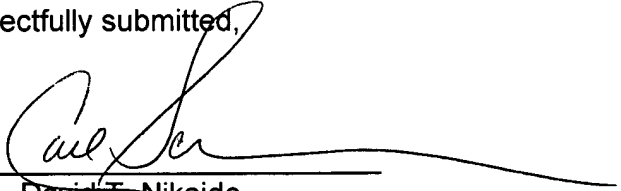
In view of the foregoing, the application is now in condition for allowance as a result of canceling all of the rejected claims 1-5 and 8-10. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper or if a Petition for Extension of Time is required for timely acceptance of the same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 for any such fees and Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extension of time.

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